GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
CIVIL AVIATION
LOK SABHA

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RE-OPENING OF WARANGAL AIRPORT
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Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to re-open Warangal Airport in Telangana;

(b) if so, the details thereof along with the time by which it is likely to be re-opened and if not, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the details of airports proposed to be set up in Telangana along with their present status?

Answer

Minister of State in the Ministry of CIVIL AVIATION (Dr. Mahesh Sharma)

(a) & (b): Airports Authority of India (AAI) and State Govt. of erstwhile Andhra Pradesh had signed an MoU on 30.3.2007 for upgradation / expansion of Warangal Airport and for this purpose the State Government was requested to provide 438 acres of land free of cost and free from all encumbrances. Development/ upgradation of airports is a continuous process and is undertaken by AAI from time to time depending on traffic demand, commercial viability, socio-economic considerations, availability of land etc.

(c): No concrete proposal for setting up of airports, as per the prescribed guidelines of the Greenfield Airport Policy of Govt. of India, has been received.